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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/786,385 filed 02/24/04

Applicant: Wheatley, Alan et al.

Title: AIR FRESHENER AND METHOD

Group Art Unit: 3752

Attorney Docket No. 21475.NP

Sir/Madam:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Enclosed also are the following designated documents, as required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:

| \boxtimes | Form PTO-1449 list of Creferences submitted for consideration. |
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| | Legible copies of the listed references or their relevant portions. |
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| | Statement that certain listed references not enclosed are substantially cumulative of an enclosed reference. |
| | Statement that certain listed references not enclosed were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in prior application no. , filed on, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. |
| In ord if required, is | er to secure consideration of the items designated above, one or more of the following, also enclosed: |
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Respectfully submitted,

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| | | 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (b)(1) or (3), within three months of the filing date of the application, or |
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| before | a first o | office action on the merits, whichever occurs last; |

37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (c), after a first office action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance, whichever occurs first, and is accompanied by either 1) a statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), or 2) the fee set forth in §1.17(p); or

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While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Moreover, while no representation is made that a specific search of office files or patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the references listed, together with any other references which may have been previously submitted or listed, are the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently

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| aware, and no art which is closer to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly |
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Dated this 30 day of March, 2005.

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